

of Economic Affairs). Keeping the order book position of BHEL in view, a decision was taken in 1989 by the Department of Economic Affairs not to pose any new power projects for bilateral external assistance, even though for some of them like Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund of Japan, BHEL is eligible to participate in the bid and had obtained orders in the past. In the case of multilaterally assisted power projects, BHEL gets orders on the basis of its international competitiveness.

[Translation]

Encouragement to Food Processing Industries

1867. SHRISURENDRA PAL PATHAK: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the Government of Uttar Pradesh to set up food processing industries in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the proposal is likely to be approved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRIGIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

[English]

Claim for Sharing in Yamuna Water by Punjab

1868. SHRISHRAVAN KUMAR PATEL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Punjab had staked the claim to a share in Yamuna waters on the eve of recent elections;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Union Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) According to Punjab, at the time of reorganisation, Haryana was utilising 2.64 Maf of Yamuna waters out of the share of 5.10 Maf for the erstwhile Punjab, thereby leaving a surplus of 2.46 Maf. Punjab has now staked its claim to 60% of this surplus.

(c) The reference from Punjab needs examination from a legal angle with reference to the Punjab Reorganisation Act, 1966.

Stenographic Assistance

1869. SHRI RAM NAIK: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether instructions issued by the Ministry of Personnel in respect of stenographic assistance to Officers in Subordinate Offices have not been implemented by the Ministry of Communications, Department of Telecommunication;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be implemented?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) No, Sir, these instructions are yet to be implemented.

(b) and (c). A detailed exercise has

been undertaken in conformity with the Department of Personnel and Training's guidelines, for implementation of the decision in a phased manner.

**Effluent Treatment Plant in ITI Complex,
Bangalore**

1870. SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an automatic effluent treatment plant was inaugurated at the Indian Telephone Industries Complex at Bangalore;

(b) if so, the total cost incurred on setting up this plant; and

(c) to what extent, this plant will help in the replacement the conventional batch type treatment system?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The total cost incurred on setting up this plant is approximately Rs. 27 lakhs.

(c) This plant will replace fully the existing conventional batch type treatment system of metal finishing and PCB effluent. The new system is continuous and faster compared to the old system which was slow and non-continuous (batch type). The new system will increase the efficiency of treatment of effluents resulting in greater adherence to the anti-pollution standards.

**Diesel based Power Plant at Ernakulam,
Kerala**

1871. SHRI P.C. THOMAS: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up a diesel based power plant in Ernakulam District in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be set up and the expenditure to be incurred thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (c). A Feasibility Report for setting up 100 MW Diesel Generating Power Plant near Brahmapuram, about 20 km. from Ernakulam in Kerala, has been submitted by Kerala Government. The estimated cost of the project is Rs. 325 crores. Various inputs such as fuel oil linkage, environmental clearances, compliance of Section 29 of Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948, etc. are yet to be tied up. The proposal can be considered for clearance by Central Electricity Authority after the various inputs are tied up by Kerala Government.

[Translation]

**Gas based Power Project in Bharauch
in Gujarat**

1872. SHRI ARVIND TRIVEDI: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a gas based power project in Bharauch district in Gujarat,

(b) if so, the time by which the said power project will be constructed; and

(c) the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon and the number of people to be benefited therefrom?